

As you can see, COMMAND has gone to ditto. Offset printing was nice, but expensive; in Virginia I was able to get 100 pages printed for a price that was only losing me a few dollars an issue. After a frantic two-week search, issue #7 was printed at a 54% increase. Rather than raise my sub rates (they are already higher than most) I decided to invest in a ditto machine. This new format will allow me to publish every three weeks; issue #10 will come

out three weeks after #9. Those games with Canadian players will probably still be run on monthly deadlines. More about this later.

The postcard notification of Winter builds has been a huge flop. 1975IV was the only game in which it worked. The biggest problem apparently, is the slower mail service between the United States and Canada. In 1976F, I decided to extend the deadline when the Canadian player missed his builds. In 1976G, I had to replace one of the players whose sub had run out (he later resubscribed and is still in the game) and felt that more time was neede for negotiations. In 1976V a post office mix-up and a player's request for an extension were the reasons for the mix-up in the deadlines. Also in that game I incorrectly accepted two builds from Turkey who was only entitled to one. Finally, in 1976BT, both the Canadian players in the game missed the turn, leading me to beleive the fault lay with the postal service and not the players.

I have had a request to run a section of Gibralter II, the Diplomacy variant that was published in the latest issue of Diplomacy World (Vol. 3 No. 2). If interested let me know- send no money at this time. Diplomacy World is available from Walt Buchanan, RR #3. Box 324, Lebanon, Indiana 46052 for \$4.00/year (4 issues). I will not reprint the rules and map here. (DW is highly recommended even if you are not interested in the

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variant).

I have had eight responses to my request for stand-by players for Diplomacy: I can always use more. At present the stand-by list is: Grabar, Cook, Blank, Luchs, Acheson, Mitchell, Fabry, and Johnston. As of 7/19/76 there are 49 subscribers to COMMAND. I also trade with 15 other zines: Everything, Impassable, Diplomacy World, Liberterrean, <u>Centurion, Dynasty, St. George and </u> the Dragon, Speculum, Runestone, Erehwon, Stab, Ruritania, The Diplomatic Journal, Tetracuspid, and Quendi Khazad Dum.

The U.S. Postal Service has

announced the possibility of another postage increase, probably 16¢ or 17¢ for first class postage by the beginning of 1977. I would like to issue a request to the officers of the IDA to appoint a committee to look into the possibility of lobbying against the increase and for return of government subsidy to our mail services. I would also like to urge all other publishers to band together in this effort. Another increase is a very serious threat to our postal hobby. It is

a common couse. Petitions and Letter-writing campaigns to our compressmen may not do the job, but a "Il never hand antil we try. If such an effort is to have any chance of success, it must be organized, and I can think of no one in a better position to organize such a movement than the IDA.

This issue is a little late because I wanted to wait until I returned from OriginsII and the annual DipCon so that I could announce the winner. A partial report appears after the games. Next month I hope to have a full report on the convention as well as a full list of all the players in the DipCon and their scores.

Finally, I'd like to announce a contest to be run here. The conrest is based on the game Mastermind which is rapidly growing in popularity. The rules are very simple; the purpose of the game is to discover a hidden five-digit number. This is done by submitting test numbers (that is guesses); for every digit that corresponds directly, you score 10 points. For every digit that appears in the hidden number, but is in the wrong place you score 1 point. The game continues until someone deduces the correct number (50 points). For example, suppose the hidden number is 63530 and you submit 13855 as your first guess, I would tell you that your score is 11 (10 points for the 3 and one point for a 5). You may submit one guess each month (three weeks when the deadlines change). First prize will be 3 issues of COMMAND added to your sub plus one free game entry. Second prize (highest score at any time during the game) is a free issue. Traders are welcome to play, Any questions?

Adam Gruen's DYNASTY has merged with Robert Goldman's THE MORAVIAN GAZETTE. The new zine will be called MCRAVIAN DYNASTY. Each issue will be published by one editor on an alternating basis, and will be 12 pages long. Subs will go for

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Winter 1904

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France build A Marseilles

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Spring 1905

England (Kinsfather)

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A Kiel S FRENCH A Bur to
Munich
A London to Denmark
F North Sea C & Lon to Den
F Irish to North Atlantic
A Edinburgh holds

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France (Granville) F West Med to Mid-Atl
F Tunis holds
A Gascony holds
A Picardy to Belgium
A Burgandy to Munich
A Ruhr S A Bur to Mun
A Marseilles to Piedmont

A Holland S A Kiel

<u>Italy</u> (Mathias)

A Numich to Silesia

A Albania to Trieste

A Tyrolia S A Alb to Tri

F Tyrrhenian to Ionian

F Naples S F Tyrr to Ion

Austria (Marino) F Apulia to Venice

Russia (Hunter) F Baltic hold* NMR
F Berlin holds
A Budapest holds
F Black Sea holds
retreat OTB

Turkey (Happel) A Tri S Rus A Bud to Vie A Serbia S A Trieste F Ionian to Adriatic A Sevastopol to Moscow F Rumania holds F Con to Bulgaria (SC) F Smyrna So Argean F Anasca so Constant (Paris) Bet the fate of Germany be a warning to those contemplating actions that would incur our Emporer's wrath.

(London to Apulia) In enswer to your request, the King had these words of wisdom to offer, "who... where... when?"

(Smyrna AP) Sultan Pascha has vanished. Details of this occurrence are whimsically portrayed in a newsreel which follows a qoudruple feature at the Red Lion
Cinema. The second film, Withe
Kaskirs Velvet Vampire of
Trathk has drawn pascable
reviews.

(Smyrna Reuters) Sultana Myrna has quietly assumed control of the Ottoman Empire and has declared a new social order. The nation has been renamed the People's Empirical Democracy of Turkey, and it is truly a classless society judging from Myrna's newly appointed second-in-power, Anjar Kratiles, who picks his teeth with a scimitar.

Incidentally, Mr. Kratiles has persuaded Myrna to place her naval resources at his disposal in order for him to make advances in the Mediterranean Sea. The happy couple sets sail tomorrow.

Autumn 1903

Germany A Warsaw retreats to Prussia

Winter 1902

England build A Lendon (Kerins)

Germany remove A Gascomy (Eumpas)

Thalk no builds received (Lagimoniere) will play 2 short

Turkey GN removes F Asgean (MARKEY)
(C.D.)

Austria build A Vienna (1 short) (Anderson)

Russia build F Sevastopol (Young)

Will: Rolf Luchs please submit stand-by orders for Italy

PRESS

ENGLAND AT PEACE WITH FRANCE (London) The new French government was warmly welcomed in London today. It is hoped that within the year our fighting forces can be withdrawn and used elsewhere against our foes.

England further beleives that it is in the national interest if the French give aid to Austria against Italy in return for that wonderful city of Munich.

(Yorkshire) It was reported today that the French have finally been able to form a strong, stable government. The 1st announcement was that payment would be exacted from the German nation for its' invesion of French soil.

The British government respended immediately by offering a disengagement of forces and strong financial and material aid in the war against Germany, Further, England recognizes the French right to German territory and warns others that movement to prevent French occupation could result in war.

In a seperate announcement I replaced the Enlish player in this game. He has since written to me and announced his intentions to continue in the game. Therefore, England is still being played by Larry VandenBos. Will Bob Fabry please continue to submit standy-by orders for England. England build F London (VandenBos)

<u>France</u> build A Paris (Anderson)

<u>Italy</u> build F Naples (Kerins) F Rome A Venice

Turkey build A Constantinople (Young) A Ankara

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(Rome) The Italian Head Mancho will never give up his claim to Marseilles or Iberia. The new ruler of France had best beware of any movement into the Mediterranean area as this is the Italian sphere of influenece. At present his Manchoness said that gis armies will be elsewhere seeking easier game in Trieste and theresbouts. But his warning to all northern powers still stands. No one is to enter the Mediterranean under any circumstances.

Spring 1903 due 8/20/76

Winter 2002
Yallow build A Georgia
A Alabama

Green build A South Dakota

White build A Vermont

Spring 2003

Yellow Georgia to North Carolina (Kerins) Ohio to West Virginia Tennessee to Kentucky Alabama to Tennessee Mississippi to Louisiana Virginia to Martland

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Utah to Colorado

Oklahoma to Arkansaa

Texas S Oklahoma to Ark

Blue New Jersey to Pennsylvania (Lebens) Delaware to Virginia Kentucky S Del to Virginia

White
(Mathias)
Mass to New York
Conn S Mass to New York
Vermont S Mass to N.Y.
New York to New Jersey

Black A Louisiana holds NMR (Hunter) Arkansas holds* ret OTB

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(New York) The Mystic Mage revealed today that the purpose of the pilgramage to New Jersey is to recover the artifacts and remains of a former publisher reputed to have temperarily resided there. The mysterious publisher printed several short tomes containing HIGH SECRETS of elementary control which would be dangerous in unskilled hands.

(Sacred Blue Lake) The United Red Nations Command is pleased to note the end of Blue's internal difficulties and the bravade of the new government. Our peoples admire courage even in fools; and we hold the insane to be sacred, both blessed and cursed by the spirits. We do not, however, appreciate any ridicule of our religious beleifs. We are distressed by the growth of the Green pustulence, which is reaching a size menacing to all nations, Native and Invaders alike.

(Philadelphia) As the official minister to foreign embassies, I am pleased to announce the election of Heracic Norbet Humty to the 1848. President of the United States of America.

The Resingularing and like her actively originate, Certificat Pithering to the office of Yise Pros. Asked to comment on the current situation, Wr. Pithering stated: "Due to the fact that my collegue has requested by silence on any matter of state, I can not comment at this, or any other time on the matter," Asked why the Pres. requested his silence, his answer was simple, "I've been colorblind since birth. Wr. Pithering did announce that Mr. Humty has begun serious negotiations with the Northern States, in order to reinstate them into the Union.

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These stencils are starting to get to me and my typing is startin g to deteriorate! I apologize for the decline in the quality of the printing in this issue.

I neglected to list the Autumn retreats for Russia in thes game.

Autumn 1902

Russia A Rumania ret to Ukraina (Young) A Smyrna ret to Armenia

Turn 2 PRESS

(London) As an economy move, Her Majesty has decided to withdraw her forces from, and bestow independence upon, her colonies, the USA, India, and Canada. There is no, repeat, no plan to devaluate the pound.

(Bombay) For the first time in Indrian history the Indian secret service is conducting a census. A usually reliable source claims the official census has discovered a sudden drop in population to 60 million people. The secret service, in looking for a source of the mass murder of hundreds of million people around the world has discovered class which lead to

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hopes Russia's fireworks get blown up by a terrorist group three days before the May Day celebration, Mrs. Ghandi's cows get the Bubonic plague, and Italy and allies can't send their missiles due to lack of gunpowder and wicks because Russia uses the world's supply for her fireworks, while we hope also that China;s 300 million praying boorish people go on strike because India has all their "hamburgers."

From: Santa Claus, the Easter

Bunny and the tooth fairy

TURN 3 PRESS

(Ottawa, UPI) It was hinted today by a high level Canadian official that a new compromise is in the offing over Taiwan's participation in the Montreal Olympics. The official said that the Canadian government may allow the playing of the Nationalist Chinese anthem if the Chinese team enters only one event, the javelin catch.

What the reaction of Taiwan would be to this newest proposal is as yet uncertain, but it is expected that the Polish government would object because at this late date their's is the only team entered in the javelin catch and they would win a gold medal by default

if Taiwan did not enter.

(Brazil) The President of Brazil announced today that he is most pleased that England and Germany have taken an interest in Brazil's economic growth.

(USSR) The new Minister of Industria? Development in his acceptance speech outlined how he would not make the mistakes of his predecessor.

(Geneva) This paper's Geneva correspondent reports that the

SANTEN OF AND SOUTH AND SOUTH SOUTH AND SOUTH on the builds of the burity Spelalist Republics (ISSR) about the resumption of applomatic relations. Information from high circles tends to confirm rumous that the Soviets are receptive to the moves of the Americans.

(London) As a further economy move, Her Majesty has decided to close down all overseas bases except for Gibralter, However, there is no truth to the rumer of any further devaluation of the pound.

(Peking) After grantingthe gamemaster a two week period in which to instate the People's Republic of China into the game in her rightful place as a major power, we are now making our final depand This is to be considered an UPSING PHIL

(Buenos Aires) In a ceremony held here today a high official (un-named) of the American city of Newark, N.J. signed an agreement to designate Newark as the world's dumping grounds afor unwanted hydrogen bombs. The entire city is being floated on an enormous barge off the coast of Greenland in order to protect the rest of the nation. It has been rumored that the city official was granted diplomatic immunity shortly after the signing.

(Paris)

Reprinted from the Paris Tribune In an interview with Monsieur Le President, we have been extremely fortunate to obtain the following information.

"Monsleur, what is our present state of relation with Germany?"

"REXXES It is with remorseful shagrin that I report our present relations with Germany are nonexistent. We had hoped, by requesting the presence of the German foreign minister in Paris, that we could formally greet the Republic of Germany, and begin meaningful negotiations. But we have heard nothing from him."

"Have you tried to contact the German government directly?"

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"But you failed in contacting

him?"

"Is it my fault that that stupid Flemish farmer shot down my carrier pigeon?"

"You used carrier pigeons!!!!" "In these economically troubled times, can you expect us to employ a pony and rider??!!!"
"What are your plans for the

future then?"

"Until such time as another communique soeps across the Ruhre we will continue to negotiate with our friends across the sea."

(Tel Aviv) Left defensless by our American friends, and shunned by the Gamemaster, we now have no choice except to burn down three more lebanese villages,

Paced with imminent (Cairo) Zionist aggression, the Arab world must carry on with its scientific efforts to borrow an Habomb from somebody. Turn 4 due 7/31/76

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Winter 1901

Germany build A Munich (Beyma) F Kiel

build F Rome (Schultz)

Austria build A Vienna (Spiegel) A Trieste

Russia build F Sevastopol (Watson) F St. Petersburg(NC)

lurkey build A Smyrna* (DeCook) F & Ankara*

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The Turkish re-adjustment is due as soon as possible. As soon as I have it I will notify all by post-card. Spring 1902 will then be due on 8/20/76. Let's get this game back on the track! (Spring moves are on file for all countries; Turkeys moves are defective due to the extra builds.)

Note: all non-trader players in 1976V will have their subs extended one issue further due to the large number of delays; this is in addition to the extension mentioned in the postcard builds.

Winter 1901

England build F Lenden (Mathias)

France build F Marseilles (Acheson) A Paris

Germany build F Kiel
(Blanch) A Berkin
A Munich

Italy build F Naples (Grabar) F Rome

Austria build A Budapest (Cook)

Russia no builds received (Lagimoniere) will play 1 short

Turkey build A Ankara (Edmends) F Smyrma

Russian F Rumania ret to Sevast

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please submit stand-by orders
for Russia.

Spring 1902 due 8/20/76

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Spring 1901

England A Liverpool to Yerkshire (Lebens) F Edinburgh to North Sea F London to English Channel

France F Brest to Mid-Atlantic (Fabry) A Paris to Burgundy
A Marseilles Systematic Fiedmont

(Decook) A Munich to Ruhr F Kiel to Denmark

Luchs)
A Venice to Piedment
A Reme to Venice
F Naples to Ienian

Austria F Trieste to Albania (Bowman) A Budapest to Serbia A Vienna to Trieste

Russia F St. Petersburg(SC) TO Both (Johnston) A Warsaw to Ukraina F Sevastopol to Rumania A Moscow to Ukraina

Turkey F Ankara to Black Sea (Silko) A Constantineple to Bulg A Smyrna to Constantinople

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(Paris) TO Rome, move to Piedmont simply to keep peace.

(Rome) The Great Italian Republic declares war upon barbaric Germany. All other countries that produce or consume large amounts of beer will be considered enemies of Italy.

(Naples) The Italian fishing fleet set sail today, heading fax south. A rich catch is expected on the African coast.

(Lendon) I, Stephen II, King of the United Kingdoms of Hreat Britain and Northern Ireland, and all her ckelonies and possessions, Emporer of India, Lord Chanceller of Parliament, Protector of the Faith, Duke of York, and Gochester, publically denounce the German kingdom

acuse the Italian Ring of pronomeed indifference to my pleas for recognition, and proclaim the sovereign alliance of England-France and Russia to be as sound as ever.

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Fall 1901 due 8/20/76 **콗츻띃쁔캶캶묲퍞짫묲퍞묲띃**按캶퍞퍞퍞퍞쑴똣똣쯗쯗hhtisk COM16 1976?? NEW GAME

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Spring 1901 due after 8/20/76 unless someone asks for an extension The following people have either entered a Diplomacy game or expressed interest in entering my next game. Please send me your preferrence list for country and your game fee (those who have already p paid are followed by a *). I will start the game as soon as I have heard from seven people. The maximum the others will be put in the next section. Those paid in advance are guaranteed a spot.

M. Edmonds*, V. Gale*, R. Acheson, B. Farrell*, D. Ditter, F. McIlvaine,

S. Johnson, M.Sarch,

. Shake wave at least three other suple at Origins II who asked for position, but I don't have their names. · 中央學者各并不發於安全學者各學學者學者各學學者各种學者各种學者也也也

GAME OPENINGS

<u>Diplomacy</u> I always have openings in regular Diplomacy.

Nuclear Destruction 4 definetly entered; I am going to run this game for \$1.00 plus postage (Mr. K.- I owe you \$1.50)

<u>Blitzkreig</u> entered: Grabar, Kinsfathe Need at least two more to play.

Origins + Bourse entered: Vie Brooks Flank, Trembly, Need 2 more to staart. Preference lists for countries accepted. This game will use the "Blind" rules. Bourse is open to all subscribers whether players or not for \$1.00.

Wooden Ships & Iron Men entered Blank Kinsfather, Luchs, Brecks(?), Vie Brooks(?). **궣뀰춖뀵묲춖줐춖쯗춖쯗뺚릁쓡춖쌑뱮쁛쁗뿦촧춙뀵쯗둮쯗묲쯗됷묲봊퍞푡쯗** COMMAND POST by Bill Stone

This issue marks the semiofficial debut of my semi-popular coloum, COMMAND POST. As often as two out of three issues, I'll be taking a look at various aspects of wargaming as industry and as a hobby, bringing you my personal opinions and viewpoints many of which have little or no basis in reality (see below). From games to personaliti. to conventions and tournaments, I'll be commenting on the soft side of gaming as opposed to the "hard" nitty gritty of strategy and tactics of play ((!)). In the interests of broadening the scope of COMMAND to cover the full spectrum of "strategic gaming" as we had originally planned, Dennis and I have agreed that CP will concentrate on matters other than Diplomacy, which is already thoroughly covered in these pages ((!!)). Now that I am aggin in a position to devote some time and energy to COMMAND I am looking forward to a re-newed association with those of you I have previously known, and to meeting more of you.

Daving right along, let's jump lar to this month's topic....

For some time Dennis and I have considered the formation of a game publishing company to complement COMMAND. Unfortunately, most of the game-able battles have been snaaped up by the larger, more established companies. That leaves us in the posmition of innovators, of "daring to be great" by appreaching old battles with new techniques and tackling battles that no one else has had the courage to cover. Thus, Bottom of the Barrel Game Publishers proudly present an introduction to some games that are currently in preparation.

For WWI buffs, Bottom of the Barrel will be releasing several sequels to Avalon Hill's 1914 game. Titled 1915, 1916, 1917 and 1918, each game features the same units in the same positions on the same mapboard.

The ultimate for the East Front gamers will be ALLZUVIEL ("Teo Much") featuring the entire front from Murmansk to the Caspian Sea and Trans-Caucasus at cempany/platoon lavel. With several square miles of maps and hundreds of thousands of unit counters, the selling price will be rivaled only by the shipping charges. If "Too Much" meets with success, BOTB has plans for an ultimate follow-up, VIEL ALLZUVIEL ("Much Too Much") This will recreate the entire Russian campaign at man-to-man level. Preliminary negotiations are underway for purchase of the entire USSR west of the Urals as the playing

One of the heavies at the local gaming club, Carl (Mr. Management) Weiss, has suggested an idea for an introductory game, STRIKE FORCE ZERO. Designed for the beginner, all the rules are optional. Game components include one unit counter, a one-hex mapboard, and one randomizer chit. We have promised Carl a suitable share of the royalties.

NUCLEAR HOLOCAUST will be BOTB's game of the atomic age, also designed for the nevice. Each player rolls one die once to determine the number of people in his sountry who survive simultaneous pre-emptive nuclear strikes. The person with the higher roll wins.

This involves US army units which are upansported from WW II to a prehistoric age through a time-warp.
The game is very similar in play to PanzerBlitz/PanzerLeader, with each type of dinosaur having its own characteristic "Z" read-out. Special weapons effects include Brontosaurus farts, air support bt Pterodactyls and minefields of dinosaur meadow muffins.

Please send checks for advance orders to me rather than Dennis.

So much for that. Upcoming features include more from BOTB, another Russian defense for Stalingrad, and I'll be reporting (along with everyone else, I suppose) from Origins II/DipCon IX in Baltimore. I welcome comments and suggestions on this and future columns. Those of you who wish to berate me, etc., may do so by writing to 302 Neil St., Blacksburg, Va. 24060.

Finishing strong with a # 14 center Turkey, Thomas Reape wen the annual DipCen with 56 tournament points. Bill Stone was second with 55 teurnament points.

Trophies were also given for the best play with each country. In the event of a tie the player with the most tournament points was awarded the trophy. (Each board played to the end of 1908 or to a pre-designated time deadline; 1 point was awarded for each center held a t the end of the game, plus 1 pt. for each player who did not de as well in the round playing the same country (2for a tie)) there was also a five point penalty for allowing a player on your beard to win.)

BEST COUNTRY AWARDS: England MartxxitSt Maskaleris (16) France E. Gross (11) also Power,

Simmons, Yorkey

Germany Sergeant (13)

Italy B. Stone (16)

Austria Matthews (17)

Russia Riefte (13) also W. Blank Turkey Mathias (14) also Reape COMMAND is published morthly by:

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